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## **News Release**

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### **NMCP to Close Columbarium Courts for Construction**

Gene E. Castagnetti, director of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, announced today that construction work on Columbarium Courts Number 6 and 7 is scheduled to be completed on October 15, 2009.

“At that time,” he said, “Courts Numbered 8 through 12 are scheduled to close for nine months, until the Summer of 2010, for the installation of additional niches that will provide additional burial benefits to veterans and families of veterans.

“However, we realize that we are currently doing, first-time inurnments in Court Number 12. As part of the grieving process” he continued, “Court 12 will remain open for an additional 30 days, or until November 13, 2009, to allow families with recent burials the opportunity to visit the niche sites of their loved ones.”

The new construction, when completed, will provide for 3,004 additional columbarium niches for cremated remains before the current availability of niches is exhausted.

An alternate site for floral tributes, with the names of the deceased, will be located at the Honolulu Memorial Chapel.

Please refer back to this website for updates or call the office at (808) 532-3720.

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